

Q1. Let, 'p' be a prime number and 'a' be an integer that not divisible by p, then

$$a^{p-1} = 1 \pmod{p}$$

proof of Fermat's Little Theorem:-

Let 'a' be such that  $\gcd(a, p) = 1$  and consider the set of integers:

$$S = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, p-1\}$$

multiply each element in the set by a module p

$$aS = \{a, 2a, 3a, \dots, a(p-1)\} \pmod{p}$$

Since,  $\gcd(a, p) = 1$ , multiplying by a is a bijection in module p, so no two elements  $a \cdot i = a \cdot j \pmod{p}$  for  $i \neq j$

$$\prod_{i=1}^{p-1} i = \prod_{i=1}^{p-1} (a \cdot i) \pmod{p}$$

$$\prod_{i=1}^{p-1} (a \cdot i) = a^{p-1} \prod_{i=1}^{p-1} i$$

$$\prod_{i=1}^{p-1} i \equiv a^{p-1} \prod_{i=1}^{p-1} i \pmod{p}$$

$$1 \equiv a^{p-1} \pmod{p}$$

Hence: Fermat's Little Theorem is proved

Example:

Given  $a=7$ ,  $p=13$

$\therefore \gcd(13, 7) = 1$  apply Fermat's Little Theorem.

$$7^{12} \equiv 1 \pmod{13}$$

$$\text{So, } 7^{12} \pmod{13} = 1$$

Apply

Application in RSA Cryptography:

RSA (Rivest-Shamir-Adleman) is a public key-cryptosystem that relies heavily on



on numbers theory and modular arithmetic

Fermat's Little Theorem helps in:

(i) Reduces large powers modulo a prime during encryption and decryption.

Q2. Prime factorization of  $n = 3545100$ .

$$\therefore 3545100 = 2^2 \times 3^3 \cdot 5^2 \cdot 13 \cdot 101$$

Euler's Totient function formula:

$$\text{if, } n = p_1^{k_1} \cdot p_2^{k_2} \cdot \dots \cdot p_m^{k_m}$$

$$\text{then, } \phi(n) = n \cdot \prod_{i=1}^m \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_i}\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So, } \phi(3545100) &= 3545100 \cdot \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \cdot \left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\right) \cdot \left(1 - \frac{1}{5}\right) \\ &\quad \cdot \left(1 - \frac{1}{101}\right) \\ &= 3545100 \cdot \frac{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 4 \cdot 12 \cdot 100}{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 13 \cdot 101} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 4 \cdot 12 \cdot 100 = 9600$$



$$2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 13 \cdot 101 = 39390$$

$$\therefore \phi(3545100) \approx 864864$$

(Ans.)

Q3. Given Congruences:

$$x \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$$

$$x \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$$

$$x \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$$

$$\text{Let, } m_1 = 3, m_2 = 4, m_3 = 5$$

$$N = 3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5 = 60$$

$$\therefore x \equiv a_1 M_1 y_1 + a_2 M_2 y_2 + a_3 M_3 y_3 \pmod{N}$$

where,

$$a_1 = 2, a_2 = 3, a_3 = 1$$

$$M_i = \frac{N}{m_i}$$

$$y_i = M_i^{-1} \pmod{m_i}$$

Compute  $M_i$

$$M_1 = \frac{60}{3} = 20$$

$$M_2 = \frac{60}{4} = 15$$

$$M_3 = \frac{60}{5} = 12$$

Now, Compute  $y_i$

$$20 \cdot y_1 \equiv 1 \pmod{3} \Rightarrow y_1 = 2$$

$$15 \cdot y_2 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$$

$$y_2 = 3$$

$$12 \cdot y_3 \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow y_3 = 3$$

$$x \equiv 2 \cdot 20 \cdot 2 + 3 \cdot 15 \cdot 3 + 1 \cdot 12 \cdot 3 \pmod{60}$$

$$\equiv 80 + 135 + 36 = 251 \pmod{60}$$

$$\therefore 251 \pmod{60} = 11$$

$$\therefore \boxed{x \equiv 11 \pmod{60}}$$

(Ans.)



Q4. A Carmichael number is a composite number  $n$  such that for all integers  $a$  with  $\gcd(a, n) = 1$  it satisfies.

$$a^{n-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$$

prime factorization of 561

$$561 = 3 \times 11 \times 17$$

Now,

$$3-1 = 2 \mid 560$$

$$11-1 = 10 \mid 560$$

$$17-1 = 16 \mid 560$$

All three satisfy the condition.

So, 561 is a Carmichael number.

Q5. A number  $g$  is a primitive root modulo 17

$$\text{ord}_{17}(g) = 16$$

That is  $g^k \not\equiv 1 \pmod{17}$  for all  $k < 16$  but  $g^{16} \equiv 1$

$g^{\frac{16}{d}} \not\equiv 1 \pmod{17}$  for all prime divisors

we must check:

$$g^8 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{17}$$

$$g^4 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{17}$$

$$g^2 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{17}$$

Now,  $g = 3$  (let)

$$3^2 = 9 \pmod{17} \neq 1$$

$$3^4 = 81 \pmod{17} = 13 \neq 1$$

$$3^8 = 13^2 = 16 \pmod{17} = 16 \neq 1$$

$$\text{Finally, } 3^{16} \pmod{17} = 1.$$

So,  $g = 3$  passes all the tests.



Q6. Let's Compute  $3^x \bmod 17$  for  $x = 1$  to 16.

$x$	$3^x \bmod 17$
1	3
2	9
3	10
4	13

we find  $3^4 \equiv 13 \bmod 17$ .

$\therefore x = 4$  (Ans.)

Q7. The discrete logarithm plays a central role in the Diffie-Hellman key Exchange protocol, which allows two parties to securely share a secret key over a public channel.



The role of the Discrete Logarithm:

The security of Diffie-Hellman relies on the difficulty of the Discrete Logarithm

Given  $g, p$  and  $A = g^a \text{ mod } p$ , find  $a$

This is computationally hard for large primes, and there is no efficient algorithm known to solve it in general.

This makes it infeasible for an eavesdropper to determine the shared secret



Q8. Comparison among Substitution cipher, Transposition cipher, playfair cipher. Given below.

Feature	Substitution Cipher	Transposition	playfair cipher
Mechanism	Replace letters	Rearranging letters	Replace letter pairs
Key space	Caesar	Depends on permutation	$25!$
Frequency	Preserved	Preserved	Disguised
Frequency Attack	Easy	Medium	Harder
Example	HELLO $\rightarrow$ KH00R	HELLO $\rightarrow$ LEHLO	HELLO $\rightarrow$ CFPPR



Q9. a) Encrypt the plaintext, "Dept of ICT, MBSTU"

plaintext: DEPTOFICTMBSTU

Convert letters to numbers

Letter	pos	Apply $(5x+8) \bmod 26$	Cipher
D	3	$(5 \times 3 + 8) = 23$	X
E	4	$5 \times 4 + 8 = 28 \rightarrow 2$	C
P	15	$5 \times 15 + 8 = 83 \rightarrow 5$	F
T	19	$5 \times 19 + 8 \rightarrow 98 \rightarrow 0$	A
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U	20	$5 \times 20 + 8 = 108 \rightarrow 4$	F

∴ So, the final Ciphertext:

XCFZAHWSZQNUZF

[XCFZAHWSZQNUZF]

Q10. Encryption process:

step 1: Substitution (shift Based on PRNG)

(i) Generate a pseudo-random shift-value using a seed

(ii)

step 2: permutation

(i) Group text into blocks of 4.

(ii) Apply fixed permutation pattern  $[3, 1, 4, 2]$

Example: TESTIPHER

Substitution:

$$T(19) + 1 = U(20)$$

$$E(4) + 3 = H(7)$$

$$S(18) + 2 = U(20)$$

$$T(19) + 4 = X(23)$$

→ "UHUX"

• Permutation  $[3, 1, 4, 2] \rightarrow UHUX \rightarrow UUXH$

∴ Final ciphertext UUXH

(Ans.)